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Mr. Richard Helms  
Director, Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Helms:

On the TODAY program this morning,  
we heard some of your comments.


How we wish we could have "faith"  
in the leadership of this Administration and  
really could believe that the quality of  
"honor" of which you spoke is basic to these  
men. But we cannot.

How can we believe in Richard Nixon,  
for example, and his associates when their  
deception, sophistry and barbarity in Southeast  
Asia are overwhelming?

How can we trust those who have  
made a vast My Lai of Vietnam; a My Lai of  
Cambodia; a My Lai of Laos. How can we trust  
an Administration which says one thing and does  
another? Look at our duplicity in professing  
to believe in freedom and at the same time  
support the Saigon dictatorship, the take-over  
in the military in Greece, and without authoriza-  
tion of Congress permit the Pentagon to use  
vast sums to support Franco in Spain by  
diverting these sums to that dictatorship from  
the general appropriations for the Defense  
Department.

Can we have faith in such men and  
their operations? Where is their honor?

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